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SO THE DENOMINATOR HERE IS THREE, RIGHT? WHICH MAKES IT ONE-THIRD.

TO PUT IT ANOTHER WAY, IF YOU HAD THREE-THIRDS, YOU'D HAVE ONE.

EASY, RIGHT?

AFTER WHAT HAPPENED WITH DAMIAN YESTERDAY...

NO TIME FOR THAT. SHE NEEDS TO LEARN THIS TODAY.

GLOOM

UM, LOID? MAYBE YOU SHOULD GIVE HER A LITTLE BREAK.

FSHH

FSHH

FSHH

SHOCK

NO SPY CARTOON TONIGHT IF YOU DON'T FINISH THIS. UNDER-STOOD?

THAT LEAVES US WITH ONLY PLAN A— ANYA BECOMING AN IMPERIAL SCHOLAR. SO I NEED TO DO WHATEVER I CAN TO BOOST HER CHANCES.

I will never forgive you!

...MY PLAN B TO BEFRIEND THE DESMOND FAMILY THROUGH HIM IS EFFECTIVELY DEAD.

FINE, I'LL JUST READ PAPA'S MIND FOR THE ANSWER!

KRAK!

KRAK!

...

NOW, WHAT'S THE ANSWER TO THIS ONE?

CHANGING OUR FOCUS TO ACCESS VIA THE ACQUISITION OF
MERITS BRINGS WITH IT CERTAIN CHALLENGES BEYOND THE
ULTIMATELY THE GOAL IS TO GAIN ACCESS TO DESMOND'S
CIRCLE BY WHATEVER MEANS NECESSARY, BUT NOT WITHOU
IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT "STELLA" ARE AWARDED F
NONACADEMIC PURSUITS SUCH AS SPORTS AND COMMUNITY
FACTOR IN THE POTENTIAL ACQUISITION OF DEMERITS THRO
POOR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE, AND AVOID ANY POSSIBILITY
WHILE THIS POSSIBILITY MAY EXIST, THE EFFORTS OF MY FELLO
SEVERAL YEARS SEEM TO INDICATE THAT THE PROSPECTS ACCO
INGLY THE FIRST PRIORITY SHOULD BE TO FOCUS ON ACADEMIC
PER IG A SOLID FOUNDATION AND T
IN THIS SPHERE SHOULD PROVE
ENT ED TO CONSIDER THE VARIOUS F
CO ON OF THE FACULTY AREA IN ORDER
TO M OFFICIAL RECORDS CONCERNING AREAS OF
LI ULTIES, PARTICULARLY SHOULD THE
IF THERE IS ANY DEVIATION FROM
AL ASSUMPTION OF RISK IT SHO
RESORT, TO BE EMPLOYED ONL
FROM THE ACADEMY ITSELF. IN SUCH A SCENARI
TELLIGENCE AGENTS ALREADY SHOWING INDEPE
OF HIGH ALERT, CONDITIONS WOULD NO LONG

BWAH!

So, this formula here...

MAMA, THIS PROBLEM HERE...

OH! I'LL READ MAMA'S MIND!

LET'S WORK IT OUT TO-GETHER!

WRRL

WRRL

WRRL

ANYA, ARE YOU OKAY?!

OKAY, LET'S SEE...

ANYWAY, FIVE, HUH... FIVE...

YOU KNOW, A "5" LOOKS A LOT LIKE AN "S"!

OH, BUT THEN YOU'RE STILL LEFT WITH THE HEAD! SO REALLY, I GUESS A BODY HAS SIX PARTS?

MAYBE IT WOULD BE EASIER TO THINK OF IT IN TERMS OF A TORSO WITH FOUR LIMBS. IF YOU WERE TO BEGIN SEVERING THEM...

THE DENOMI-NATOR IS FIVE, WHICH MEANS IT'S BEING DIVIDED INTO FIVE PARTS.

Hmm ...

WHAAAA

I DON'T EVEN UNDERSTAND WHAT ASPECT OF THIS SHE DOESN'T UNDER-STAND!

WHAT EXACTLY IS THE PROBLEM HERE? WHY CAN'T YOU SOLVE THIS?

...

Uhh...

TREMBLE TREMBLE

ANYA! ARE YOU OKAY?!

SLUMP

HEY !!

DASH

I HATE STUDY-ING!!!

DO YOU THINK BECOMING AN HONOR STUDENT IS WHAT SHE WANTS?

YOU CAN'T JUST FORCE THIS SORT OF THING ON HER.

SLAM

NO MORE!

...WHAT MY MISSION REQUIRES.

WELL, IT'S...

BUT IF SHE DOESN'T LEARN HOW TO STUDY, SHE'LL NEVER BECOME AN HONOR STUDENT!

LOID, STOP!

ANYA, GET OUT HERE!

OF COURSE, A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF STUDYING IS NECESSARY TO KEEP HER FROM FLUNKING OUT. BUT THIS...

...IS FOR HER TO ENJOY GOING TO SCHOOL.

WHAT I WANT FOR ANYA...

SHE'S STILL SO YOUNG. THINGS LIKE GRADES AND HONORS DON'T EVEN MATTER TO HER YET.

...

YOU'RE ...

YOU'RE RIGHT.

Heh...

I'M SURE EVERY PARENT FEELS THE SAME WAY.

LET'S ALL TAKE A LITTLE BREAK. I'LL MAKE SOME TEA.

SOMETIMES IT'S HARD FOR ME TO KEEP A LEVEL HEAD WHEN DEALING WITH CHILDREN ...

NO, YOR, I'M GRATEFUL FOR WHAT YOU SAID.

I'M SORRY, LOID. I KNOW IT ISN'T MY PLACE TO TELL YOU HOW TO RAISE YOUR DAUGHTER.

SILENCE...

...

ANIA

ANYA! YOR MADE YOU COCOA!

SHE MUST BE IN A SNIT RIGHT NOW.

SHE'S NOT COMING OUT...

OH NO, YURI HAS ALWAYS BEEN MUCH SMARTER THAN I AM.

Maybe you have a few pointers?

DID YOU GO THROUGH THIS SORT OF THING WITH HIM WHEN HE WAS LITTLE?

YOUR BROTHER WORKS AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, RIGHT? HE MUST HAVE BEEN A GREAT STUDENT.

SHE'LL COME OUT SOON ENOUGH.

AHH...THIS REMINDS ME OF FIGHTING WITH MY BROTHER.

When he was little.

I'M EMBARRASSED TO ADMIT IT, BUT EVEN WHEN WE WERE STUDYING TOGETHER ...

...HE WOULD END UP TEACHING ME MORE THAN I TAUGHT HIM.

You're wrong, Yor! Spiders aren't insects!

An insect has six legs and a body divided into head, thorax and abdomen.

Don't show me those pictures!

Wow, you sure do know a lot of stuff, Yuri.

Next, I'm gonna teach you about history!

Oh, okay.

Yor, I memorized the multiplication table! Wake up and listen to this!

Mmph...

WHEN I PRAISED HIM, HIS SMILE WOULD LIGHT UP THE WHOLE ROOM.

MAYBE THE REASON HE STUDIED SO MUCH WAS THAT HE LIKED TEACHING ME THINGS? I CERTAINLY WASN'T PUSHING HIM.

BEAM

BUT IF WHAT YOU SAY IS TRUE ...

I DON'T KNOW THAT I MATTERED THAT MUCH.

And he deepened his understanding by sharing what he'd learned...

I SEE. SO THE APPROVAL OF HIS BIG SISTER WAS WHAT MOTIVATED HIM TO WORK SO HARD.

...THEN IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU SHOULD TRY TO FILL THE SAME ROLE FOR ANYA.

I REALLY THINK THAT WOULD MEAN A LOT TO HER.

MATHEMATICS OF YOROI

MAYBE YOU SHOULD TRY PRAISING HER FOR HER EFFORTS, NO MATTER HOW SMALL THEY ARE.

ISN'T THAT THE ROLE AT THE VERY CRUX OF THIS MISSION?

ISN'T THE IDEAL FATHER EXACTLY WHAT I'M SUPPOSED TO BE?

LOID FORGER

NO... WAIT.

AFTER ALL, I'M NOT EVEN HER REAL FATHER.

HUH...

I WONDER ...

YOU'RE DOING GREAT!

SO WHAT IN THE WORLD HAVE I BEEN DOING? THIS PERFORMANCE IS FAR FROM IDEAL! AS A FATHER, I'VE BEEN POSITIVELY—

ANYA SAID IT HERSELF, RIGHT? "A PERFECT 100 POINTS"!

YOU JUST NEED TO BELIEVE IN YOURSELF MORE.

YOU'RE BEING A WONDERFUL FATHER TO THAT GIRL!

IT MEANS A LOT TO ME TO HEAR YOU SAY THAT.

IT IS EXACTLY YOUR PLACE.

YOU ARE THE MOTHER IN THE FORGER FAMILY NOW ...

...AND I RELY ON YOU TO BE EVERYTHING THAT I'M NOT.

NO, YOR.

BUT AGAIN, WHAT DO I KNOW? IT'S NOT MY PLACE TO BE TELLING YOU HOW TO RAISE YOUR—

IF YOU DON'T MIND, I'D LOVE FOR YOU TO HELP ME WITH ANYA'S STUDIES.

OH, IF YOU THINK I COULD HELP, OF COURSE!

WE'LL ALL WORK ON IT TOGETHER, SLOW AND STEADY.

HA! JUST MAKE SURE YOU DON'T DO THAT IN PUBLIC.

OH... RIGHT! SOMETIMES I FORGET I'M YOUR WIFE!

NOTHING OF WORTH HAS EVER BEEN BUILT IN A DAY.

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AFTER ALL, IF YOU WANTED TO RUSH THROUGH THIS MISSION, YOU COULD EASILY ASSASSINATE DESMOND AND BE DONE WITH IT. BUT THAT'S NO TRUE SOLUTION.

"SLOW AND STEADY." WORDS TO REMEMBER, TWILIGHT.

THE SLOW, HARD, UN-GLAMOROUS WORK OF A REAL SPY...

YOU NEED TO GET CLOSE TO HIM, EARN HIS TRUST, OBSERVE HIM AT LENGTH.

YOU NEED TO LEARN WHAT THE TARGET IS THINKING. UNDER-STAND WHAT THE TARGET WANTS.

SURE. I'LL GO WASH THE DISHES THEN.

I'M GOING TO HAVE A TALK WITH ANYA.

OH!

LOOK HOW LATE IT'S GOTTEN!

BONG BONG

BUT I HAVE TO UNDER-STAND ANYA FIRST.

I'M SORRY ABOUT BEFORE.

WHY DON'T YOU WATCH YOUR SHOW, AND THEN WE'LL TAKE ANOTHER SHOT AT THOSE FRACTIONS, OKAY?

HEY, ANYA.

KNOCK KNOCK

YOUR SPY SHOW IS ABOUT TO START!

SILENCE

UM... ANYA?

CHAK

ZZZZZ

SHE FELL ASLEEP...

YOU'LL CATCH A COLD IF—

HUH?

SHE WAS STUDYING BY HERSELF ...?

HOIST

I GUESS I'LL TAPE YOUR CARTOON FOR YOU.

...GOTTA... ACE THE TEST... FOR PAPA...

MMRPH MMRPH

MMRPH

...NO, MAMA... DON'T KILL PAPA...

"A WONDERFUL FATHER," HUH?

...

NNNN

WHAT ON EARTH IS SHE DREAMING ABOUT?

SIIA

CLICK

I WONDER HOW I'D FEEL...

...IF I HAD A REAL FAMILY?

!

TMP TMP TMP

HOW WAS THAT PARTY THE OTHER DAY, THE ONE MY SISTER CAME TO? WHAT WAS HER GUY LIKE?!

YEAH, SOMETHING LIKE THAT. OH—THE PARTY!

I com-pletely forgot to ask!

No worries.

YOU STILL HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO MEET HIM, HUH?

YOR'S HUSBAND? CONGRATS, BY THE WAY.

THEY'VE HAD ME SO BUSY AT WORK I HAVEN'T BEEN HOME AT ALL.

THE THRILLING LIFE OF A FOREIGN-MINISTRY ELITE, HUH?

HEY, YURI! HOW'VE YOU BEEN?

DOMINIC! I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN AGES!

THUMP

W-WHAT ...?

MY SISTER ...

...GOT MAR-RIED ?!

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